

REMARKS

By the present amendment, Applicant has cancelled claims 8-13. Allowed claims 1-7 and 14 remain pending in the present application. The rejections of the office action dated April 17, 2006 will be considered in the order of their occurrence in the Official Action.

Claims 8-13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tilton et al (6,108,201).

Claims 8 – 13 have been cancelled without prejudice by this amendment. Applicant may re-present claims 8-13 in a continuing application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 1-7 & 14 are allowed over the prior art of record.


Claims 1-7 & 14 remain pending in their as allowed state.

Conclusions

Claims 8 – 13 have been cancelled by the present amendment and may be included in a potential continuation to the present application. Allowed claims 1 – 7 & 14 remain pending in the present application.

Should the Examiner consider necessary or desirable any formal changes anywhere in the specification, claims and/or drawings, then it is respectfully asked that such changes be made by Examiner's Amendment, if the Examiner feels this would facilitate passage of the this case to issuance. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to issuance, they are invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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